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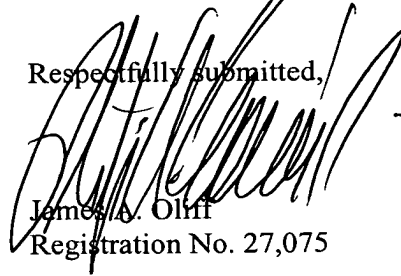
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- ☒ 3. References 2-5 and 13-33 were cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information.
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- ☒ 5. English language Abstracts of the non-English language references 7-10, 13, 17, 27-28 and 30 are attached hereto.
- ☒ 6. A computer-generated English language translation of the Japanese Patent Publications 7, 9-10, 13, 27 and 30 has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy.

- ☒ 7. Reference 1 corresponds to reference 6. Reference 2 corresponds to references 18-20. Reference 3 corresponds to references 21-23. Reference 4 corresponds to reference 31. Reference 5 corresponds to references 32-33. References 11 and 12 correspond. References 13-15 correspond. References 16 and 17 correspond. References 18-20 correspond. References 21-23 correspond. References 24-26 correspond. References 32-33 correspond.

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